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**RE: Project EPREVAILS
Inappropriate Sexual Behaviour
E Division Major Crime Section - Serious Crime Unit File#: 2004-2016**

ISSUE:

Mr. David RAMSAY, a former Provincial Court Judge in Prince George, BC was convicted on several counts of Sexual Assault and Breach of Trust in June 2004. He was subsequently sentenced to 7 years in custody. During the RAMSAY investigation it was learned that other persons in authority, including RCMP members, lawyers and a local elected official may have had contact with young sex trade workers. The allegations include Criminal Code offences to Code of Conduct infractions. These allegations were not investigated at the time and RAMSAY took precedence. The investigation into the allegations of these other persons in authority has commenced and the potential exists to attract undesired media attention.


BACKGROUND:

On April 1999, at a meeting between RCMP and a support agency for young sex trade workers (STW), it was learned that a STW had disclosed to a case worker that she had been involved with a local Judge. The matter was investigated by the Prince George Municipal Detachment. The subsequent lengthy investigation resulted in numerous victims being identified as having contact with Judge RAMSAY as well as contact with other persons in authority. The investigation focussed on Judge RAMSAY's involvement with young STW's but also collected information regarding their involvement with other persons in authority. These victims were reluctant to provide information concerning police officers and obtaining their confidence was a major undertaking. North District Internal Affairs has been actively involved in the investigation regarding to police officers since March 2003. Following a review of this facet of the investigation, it was deemed that it required more resources to complete in a timely fashion.

CURRENT STATUS:

On June 2004 an investigative team was assembled to fully investigate these other persons in authority, including the police officers, lawyers and elected official. It is anticipated that with the recent conviction and sentencing of RAMSAY, sex trade workers will be more forthcoming with investigators regarding the actions of police officers. The team consists of representation from E Division Major Crimes, E Division Anti-Corruption Unit and N/D Internal Affairs. The investigation and subsequent interviews of the STW's and various corroborative witnesses are about to begin. The possibility exists that these interviews will generate renewed media interest in not only the RAMSAY matter, but also the RCMP itself.

Sgt. John WARD, NCO i/c E Division Strategic Communications Section, has been advised of the focus of this investigation and the potential media attention it may attract.



W.D. LYMBURNER, Sgt.
E Division Serious Crime Unit
Team Commander - Project EPREVAILS



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RE: Project EPREAILS - E Div Major Crime File # 2004-2016

ISSUE:

Imminent media exposure of investigation that could compromise integrity of the project as a whole.

BACKGROUND:

On 2004-11-09, a local radio reporter in Prince George contacted the Prince George City Detachment to request a comment regarding an ongoing investigation involving RCMP officers and other elected officials and their inappropriate contact with local Sex Trade Workers, before going public with his story. The reporter, _____ reported that he had information that a document was located during a search of the local Renegades (OMG) clubhouse that detailed information about the former Judge RAMSAY investigation, the officers and officials being investigated, as well as the identify of an officer who was currently suspended as a result of this ongoing investigation. Sgt. John WARD (E Div Strategic Communications) was advised of this contact and subsequently spoke with E Div Major Crimes and the Team Commander of Project EPREAILS.

CURRENT STATUS:

Sgt. WARD, after consultation with Insp. VanDeWALLE (O i/c MCU - Operations) and Sgt. Wade LYMBURNER (EPREAILS Team Commander), spoke with _____ stated that he was ready to go public with information about EPREAILS, including releasing the identity of the suspended member. WARD was able to negotiate with _____ and as a result _____ will not be releasing any story about this investigation in the interests of maintaining the integrity of this investigation.

Sgt. LYMBURNER has since learned that the search of the clubhouse in question actually took place during late 1998 or 1999 and involved the search of the local Renegades clubhouse as a result of several liquor infractions. Apparently during this search a document was located that listed some information about the ongoing RAMSAY investigation (active at that time) and it listed other persons who were also subject of disclosures by the sex trade workers. These other persons included several RCMP officers (listed by name) and local elected officials.

It is believed that _____ recalls the names of these RCMP officers and may have received some recent information about a suspended RCMP officer of the same name. He has surmised that an investigation is ongoing and is searching for something more.

At this time, steps have being taken to prioritize investigative steps to minimize the impact of any action may take in the near future. Over the next two weeks, if successful, it is felt that result of any activity will have minimal impact on EPREAILS.

(W.D. LYMBURNER), Sgt.
E Div Serious Crime Unit
EPREAILS - Team Commander



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RE: Project EPREVAILES - E Div Major Crime File # 2004-2016

Further to Briefing Note submitted on 2004-11-10

ISSUE:

Imminent media exposure of investigation that could compromise integrity of the project as a whole.

BACKGROUND:

On 2004-11-17, "E" Division Strategic Communications learned that CBC Broadcasting plans on airing a story at 2200 hours (PST) involving the Sex Trade in Prince George, BC. Included in this broadcast will be an interview with a key witness involved in the EPREVAILES investigation and former Judge RAMSAY investigation. Their story is likely to include information about an ongoing RCMP investigation involving RCMP members and other persons in authority utilizing the services of local underage Sex Trade workers. Their story may include information about a suspended RCMP member whose identity is known to the CBC.

CTV is also planning on airing a story at 1800 hours (PST) involving an ongoing RCMP investigation which involves the same information, but with more focus on the investigation itself. It is likely that information regarding a suspended RCMP member will be released, however it does not appear that they are aware of the identity of that member.

CURRENT STATUS:

Investigative resources have been focussed on completing several photolineups with key witnesses/victims prior to any media broadcasts. At this time only one of these lineups has taken place with 5 more remaining. All involve Sex Trade workers who, based on their lifestyle, are unlikely to view the broadcasts but will learn of the attention in the days after any stories are released.

POTENTIAL IMPACT:

Upon learning of the media attention, the key witnesses/victims may refuse to cooperate with the ongoing investigation. If the identity of the suspended member is aired, it will damage the potential for the viewing of any photo lineups and subsequent evidence collection. Any other potential suspects will also be alerted to the investigation and its scope.

The suspended member may also be identified and refuse to participate any further in the investigation. This is unlikely to negatively impact the investigation at this time.

(W.D. LYMBURNER), Sgt.
E Div Serious Crime Unit
EPREVAILES - Team Commander

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RE - OBJET

Project E-PREVAILES
Update to the Thirty Day Report

Previous Report Submitted 2004-07-29.

Persons mentioned in this report:

HARRIS, Justin Peter, Regimental number 44089 (Cst). Current position:
Unit.

KOHUT, Joe, Regimental number 42771 (Cpl.-newly promoted) Current position: Recent transfer
from Prince George to Kamloops.

This update report has been prepared due to recent developments in Project E-PREVAILES which
may necessitate immediate action, specifically against Cst. HARRIS in his present position.
were key Crown Witnesses in the former Judge RAMSAY
investigation

EVIDENCE AGAINST HARRIS

In general, the evidence against HARRIS so far comes from the statements of 4 women who were working as child prostitutes between 1999 and 2001:

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· is a former Youth Care Worker and Street Worker, formerly employed by the Prince George NATIVE FRIENDSHIP CENTER.
During that time, several girls disclosed to that they had sexual relations with persons in authority.

· With regard to the nature of the disclosures regarding persons in authority using child prostitutes, he advised that
disclosed to that they had had sex with Judge RAMSAY and RCMP officers.
does not recall actual names.

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Persons mentioned in this report who occupy positions of authority, who surfaced on review of the (former) Judge RAMSAY investigation.

KOHUT, Cst. Joe, Reg #42771,

(transfer pending to Kamloops Det.)

HARRIS, Cst. Justin Peter (J.P.), Reg # 44089,

Current and former sex trade workers:

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Thirty Day Progress Report

2004-07-12

Investigative Team on Project E-PREVAILS travelled to Prince George North District Office and held a meeting with Cpl. Judy THOMAS, Prince George Serious Crime Section, and Sgt. Mike RACICOT from the North District Internal Affairs Unit. Cpl. THOMAS, the lead investigator in the David RAMSAY (former Judge) investigation, presented an overview of the File. Sgt. RACICOT outlined his investigation which surfaced additional disclosures made by sex trade workers in the Prince George area of persons in authority positions committing additional criminal offences such as assault, sexual assault and sexual exploitation. Ten RCMP members,

were surfaced who are alleged to have engaged in sexual activity with sex trade workers. Previously prepared flow charts and persons of interest/time line reports were disseminated by E-PREVAILS members as a reference, and were completed by E-PREVAILS management team on earlier review of the RAMSAY investigation. The investigative team currently consists of Sgt. LYMBURNER as Team Commander, Cpl. JACOBSON as File Coordinator, Cpl. TEITZ as Primary Investigator, Sgt. Lee BERGERMAN, Cst. Johnny HLIBCHUK, Cst. Beth PARSLOW and Cst. Darren STEVELY.

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2004-07-14

Operational Plan is completed. All investigators were instructed on the use of ENR III by Sgt. LYMBURNER. Based on the review of the RAMSAY File, the initial focus of the E-PREVAILS investigation will focus on determining current locations for the sex trade workers who have made initial disclosures of sexual assault, assault, and sexual exploitation. Allegations from several sex trade workers of assault and sexual exploitation by Cst. J.P. HARRIS, who is presently assigned to in Vancouver will be the initial thrust of the investigation. Cst. HARRIS was well known to several of the sex trade workers in Prince George and was identified within their statements. Several key witnesses who identified Cst. J.P. HARRIS no longer reside in the Prince George area and are believed to be frequenting Vancouver's downtown east side. Based on Cpl. Judy THOMAS's knowledge of numerous current and former sex trade workers, Cpl. THOMAS may be utilized to introduce investigators with the sex trade workers to establish a rapport.

2004-07-17

Cpl. TEITZ contacted Dennis MURRAY, acting as Crown Counsel for the E-PREVAILS project. Dennis MURRAY was the Crown Counsel in the David RAMSAY investigation and is familiar with the issues and witnesses which surfaced for both investigations. MURRAY also advised that he had conducted several interviews of current and former sex trade workers in preparation for the RAMSAY trial and had established a rapport with the key Crown witnesses.

2004-07-20

Two key witnesses who provided statements concerning allegations of sexual exploitation and assault were located in the Vancouver island area. One key witness was located and interviewed by the investigative team. Two RCMP members were identified by this witness, who had been a sex trade worker in Prince George.

Statements have also been commenced with employees/supervisors from Prince George agencies such as Group Homes, Youth Around Prince George, Reconnect, Needle Exchange, Child and Family Counsellors and Social Services, based on disclosures made to these individuals from sex trade workers.

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2004-07-22

Various stakeholder agencies which are in frequent contact with sex trade workers were contacted for a meeting on 2004-07-27 to identify and discuss those sex trade workers who are sought for statement interviews. The purpose of this meeting was to clearly define the goals and objectives of E-PREVAILS, and to solicit approach strategies and suggestions in locating and interviewing the sex trade workers. Many of the sex trade workers have been known for several years by these agencies, and are viewed by the investigative team as an invaluable resource.

2004-07-27

Meeting commenced between E-PREVAILS investigators and representatives from such agencies as Reconnect, Youth Around Prince George and Ministry of Social Services. Cpl. THOMAS was also in attendance. The meeting was productive in establishing a productive working relationship and information exchange on the numerous sex trade workers to be interviewed. Also clearly established were roles and expectations which advance the speed and flow of the investigation and advance the best interests of the women to be approached for interviews. The meeting not only put a face to the name of investigators who were encouraged to frequent the agencies, but cleared up any misconceptions on the focus of project E-PREVAILS.

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Project E-PREVAILS
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· Group Home WORKER

PART II - PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update you on recent developments on Project E-PREVAILS. Based upon the statements of 4 witness who were former child prostitutes (

The witnesses have provided details of sexual acts engaged in with Cst. Justin HARRIS while they were child prostitutes on many occasions between 1999 and 2001). Two of these witnesses,

who are now adults, were key Crown Witnesses in the former Judge RAMSAY investigation

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PART III - EVIDENCE AGAINST CST. HARRIS

GENERAL

In general, the evidence against Cst. HARRIS so far comes from the statements of 4 women who were working as child prostitutes between 1999 and 2001:

This evidence is corroborated by disclosures by these young women to group home workers close in time to the actual events.

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STATEMENT of , - interviewed in Prince George on 03-07-22 by
Cst. HLIBCHUK

a former group home worker corroborates the statement of (

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PART IV - FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

Resourcing - New Interviews

Finally, given the manpower situation which typically manifests itself at this time of the year, and the current tempo of operations which has necessitated the shifting of manpower from this file to other fresh homicides in the province, management may wish to assess the current resourcing of this project.

Cst. HARRIS

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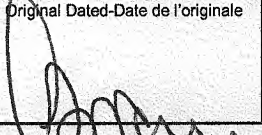
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was allegedly implicated in a Sexual Exploitation Investigation (Project E-Prevails) involving another member of the RCMP (Cst. J.P. HARRIS) and young sex trade workers in "E" Division, Prince George, B.C.

BACKGROUND:

- Information was received during the investigation into allegations against Judge David RAMSAY regarding his involvement with young prostitutes in Prince George, B.C.
- The information also indicated that past and present members of Prince George detachment have, or are using the services of local underage prostitutes. This third hand information came to light when social workers were interacting with their clients.
- Between September 05, 2002 and present, investigation has been conducted regarding the alleged above information.
- Cst. J.P. HARRIS

a local sex trade worker, provided information concerning her involvement with

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S/Sgt. D. Smith, NCO i/c Ops Secretariat "E" Div.	February 22, 2005	C/Supt. A.D. Macintyre, Deputy Criminal Operations Officer (Contract) "E" Division	February 22, 2005	

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☐ Advice to the Minister-Conseil au Ministre

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- There is a separate file and investigation with regards to the status of Cst. J.P. HARRIS.
- This investigation is ongoing.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS:

- Potential for media attention should circumstances be made public.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- none at this time.

SOURCE: Sgt. M.C. RACICOT, "E" Div IAU North District.

BN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: E-DIV-CROPS-2005-CP-207.

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C/Supt. A.D. Macintyre, Deputy Criminal
Operations Officer (Contract) "E"

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**BRIEFING NOTE TO
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**NOTE D'INFORMATION
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ISSUE: Cst. Joseph D. Kohut. Reg. 42771.
Project Eprevails. "E" Division.

- To advise of an investigation involving a member of the Force and young sex trade workers in "E" Division, Prince George, B C.
- Cst. Joseph Dale Kohut, Regimental # 42771, of Kamloops Detachment, was implicated in this activity during the interviews of alleged victims.

BACKGROUND:

- Information was received during the investigation into allegations made against Judge David Ramsay regarding his involvement with young prostitutes in Prince George, B. C. The information also indicated that past and present members of Prince George Detachment have, or are using the services of local under age prostitutes.

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CURRENT STATUS:

- Cst. Kohut remains on full duty in Kamloops Det. Supt. J. Begley, OIC., has been apprized of the investigation and is reviewing the preparation of a Code of Conduct investigation. He is working with "E" Div. IAU, H.Q. Vancouver on the issue.

SOURCE: Sgt. Mike Racicot. "E" Div. IAU. Prince George.

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ISSUE:

- [redacted] was allegedly implicated in a Sexual Exploitation investigation (Project E-Prevails) involving another member of the Force (Cst. J.P. Harris) and young sex trade workers in "E" Division, Prince George, B. C.

BACKGROUND:

- Information was received during the investigation into allegations made against Judge David Ramsay regarding his involvement with young prostitutes in Prince George, B. C. The information also indicated that past and present members of Prince George Detachment have, or are using the services of local under age prostitutes. This information came third hand by way of social workers who had been told this by their clients.
- Between September 05, 2002 and this date, investigation has been conducted regarding the above information. [redacted] has provided information concerning her involvement with Cst. J. P. Harris who is also being dealt with separately in this investigation.

CURRENT STATUS:

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RE - OBJET PROJECT E-PREVAILS 14 Day UPDATE				

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE MENTIONED IN THIS REPORT:

HARRIS, Justin Peter, Regimental #44089 (Cst.) Current Position: Suspended with pay.

KOHUT, Joe, Regimental #42771 (Cst.) Current Position: Kamloops G.D.

E-PREVAILS ACTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT:

Cst. Joe KOHUT

C/SURT. A.D. MACINTYRE

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Royal Canadian Mounted Police Deputy Criminal Operations
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Cst. Justin Peter HARRIS

Cst. HARRIS remains suspended with pay. There are no further avenues of investigation or interviews remaining and preparation of the criminal allegations are underway for Crown Counsel. Since several victims have provided statements which allege having sexual contact with more than one police officer, Crown Counsel Dennis MURRAY wishes to receive the entire investigation as one completed package for review in consideration of charge approval.

Other E-PREVAILS Matters:

Preparation of the Report to Crown Counsel is underway to prepare one complete package for Mr. MURRAY's consideration. Several members from the remaining team of four investigators will be away on various courses throughout the month of March which will affect the time of File completion to Crown.

Expenses To Date:

Expended: \$ 109,952.56
Remaining: \$ 247,482.44

(A.H. TEITZ), Cpl.
Primary Investigator

(G. JACOBSON), Cpl.
File Coordinator

(W.D. LYMBURNER) Sgt.
Team Commander

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Project E-PREVAILS

30 Day Report

Date of Last Report: 2005-03-09

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE MENTIONED IN THIS REPORT:

KOHUT, Joe - Reg# 42771 (Cst.) Current Position: Kamloops GD "E" Div.

HARRIS, Justin - Reg# 44089 (Cst.) Current Position:

E-PREVAILS ACTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT:

Cst. Joe KOHUT:

A Code of Conduct investigation, parallel with the criminal matter, has now been ordered by Supt. BEGLER OIC, Kamloops Detachment. On 05-03-22, the Commanding Officer of "E" Division signed a Suspension Order, suspending Cst. KOHUT from duty with pay. On 05-03-29, Cst. KOHUT was served with the suspension order and is currently under suspension. Investigation is continuing.

S/Sgt. Smith - for our file and next update.

C/Supt. A.B. MACINTYRE

Supt. BEGLER OIC, Kamloops Detachment

Deputy Criminal Operations Officer (Contract) - "E" Division

Cst. Justin HARRIS:

Cst. HARRIS is currently suspended with pay based on information learned during the course of E-PREVAILS.

Other E-PREVAILS Matters:

The final stages of the Report to Crown Counsel are being completed.

Mr. Dennis MURREY, he has requested the RTCC be delivered to him for consideration as soon as possible. The electronic RTCC package will be delivered to Mr. MURRAY on 2005-04-13. It is anticipated that there will be a small amount of further disclosure to Mr. MURRAY in the weeks following this time.

The "E" Division Internal Affairs Unit continues to followup in the Code of Conduct matters and after RTCC is submitted, they will be submitting any reports relating to the Code of Conduct matters through their regular channels.

Sgt. Wade LYMBURNER
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**BRIEFING NOTE TO
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**NOTE D'INFORMATION
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ISSUE:

- An update on E PREVAILS - Alleged Inappropriate Sexual Behaviour. Increase in media attention.

BACKGROUND:

- Since June 2004, a team of investigators from E Div. Major Crime Section and North District Internal Affairs have been following up on allegations of inappropriate sexual behaviour on the part of various RCMP officers and elected officials.
- The allegations first came to light during the investigation of the former Judge David RAMSAY.
- The current investigation has focussed on allegations against RCMP officers only. Since Project EPREVAILS began, two police officers have been suspended with pay. Both were stationed at Prince George Municipal Detachment at the time of the alleged offences and had been transferred to other duties and locations at the time this investigation began.
- At the present time both members are still under suspension.

CURRENT STATUS:

- There has been increased media attention regarding this investigation. As a result, the office of the BC Attorney General has been receiving numerous calls from the media regarding the results of the Special Prosecutor's review of the investigation. They feel required to provide a response to these calls.
- The Office of the BC Attorney General, in consultation with S/Sgt. John WARD, "E" Div. Strategic Media Communications, will be providing the following message, through its spokesperson, Mr. Stan LOWE in response to the media;
 - That police have provided an "exhaustive package" that has been fully reviewed by an independent Special Prosecutor, and found it to be "without failing." Crown and police are in agreement with the recommendations of the Special Prosecutor, in that at this time the evidence is not available to meet the Crown's charge approval standard. The matter is still under investigation. There is no statute of limitations on this matter and should any new information come to light, it will be considered.

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STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS:

- S/Sgt. WARD is also preparing a release, confirming that of the AG's office. He will also state the matter is still under investigation and as such, will not be commented on. An internal investigation regarding the conduct of the officers in question is also taking place and once completed, its results will be forwarded to the appropriate decision makers for action. The officers in question remain suspended with pay.
- S/Sgt. WARD has consulted the EPREVAILES Team Leader regarding this action, as well as the Officer in Charge of "E" Division Internal Affairs.
- A meeting will be taking place on Thursday, 2005-11-17 between Internal Affairs and the EPREVAILES command triangle to discuss the impact of the Special Prosecutors report on the ongoing internal investigation.

SOURCE: Sgt. Wade LYMBURNER, "E" Division Major Crime Section - Serious Crime Unit.2004E-2016
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**ISSUE: Cst. Joseph D. Kohut. Reg. 42771.
Project Eprevails. "E" Division.**

- To advise of an investigation involving a member of the Force and young sex trade workers in "E" Division, Prince George, B C.
- Cst. Joseph Dale Kohut, Regimental # 42771, of Kamloops Detachment, was implicated in this activity during the interviews of alleged victims.

BACKGROUND:

- Information was received during the investigation into allegations made against Judge David Ramsay regarding his involvement with young prostitutes in Prince George, B. C. The information also indicated that past and present members of Prince George Detachment have, or are using the services of local under age prostitutes.

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CURRENT STATUS:

- Cst. Kohut remains on full duty in Kamloops Det. Supt. J. Begley, OIC., has been apprized of the investigation and is reviewing the preparation of a Code of Conduct investigation. He is working with "E" Div. IAU, H.Q. Vancouver on the issue.

SOURCE: Sgt. Mike Racicot. "E" Div. IAU. Prince George.

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Re: **Project EPREAILS**
"E" Division IAU File

PURPOSE:

- To update The Commissioner of a Sexual Exploitation investigation involving a member of the Force and young sex trade workers in "E" Division, Prince George, B. C. Previous Briefing Note dated January 25th, 2005.



**BRIEFING NOTE TO
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**NOTE D'INFORMATION
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ISSUE:

- Media exposure of the Project EPREAILS investigation.

BACKGROUND:

- On 2004-11-17, "E" Division Strategic Communications learned that CBC Broadcasting planned on airing a story at 2200 hours (PST) involving the Sex Trade in Prince George, BC. Included in this broadcast was an interview with a key witness involved in the EPREAILS investigation and the former Judge Ramsay investigation. Their story included information about an ongoing RCMP investigation involving RCMP members and other persons in authority utilizing the services of local underage Sex Trade workers.
- CTV also aired a story at 1800 hours (PST) involving an ongoing RCMP investigation which involves the same information, but was more focussed on the investigation itself.

CURRENT STATUS:

- CTV reporter [redacted] will be reporting that the RCMP has suspended two members with pay in connection to allegations of sexual misconduct with children.
- This report will be aired on Wednesday, 2005-05-18, at 18:00 on CTV. The story will run in the second segment of the show. This report is in addition to the one they aired 2004-11-17.
- She advises that she will not use the names of the members, nor where they are stationed now. She will link them to the Judge Ramsey matter in Prince George. She will also say that these allegations had been made a number of years ago, and that the police ignored the information.
- She will further report that the special prosecutor, Mr. Dennis Murray, will take some time to reach a decision on proceeding with charge approval.
- "E" Division Media position will be that we do not confirm or deny the existence of RCMP investigations.

Source: S/Sgt. J. WARD, NCO i/c "E" Division Media Relations.

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PURPOSE: To update the Commissioner on Project EPREVAILS - E Div. Major Crime File # 2004-2016.

ISSUE:

- Imminent media exposure of the investigation that could compromise integrity of the project as a whole.

BACKGROUND:

- On 2004-11-17, "E" Division Strategic Communications learned that CBC Broadcasting plans on airing a story at 2200 hours (PST) involving the Sex Trade in Prince George, BC. Included in this broadcast will be an interview with a key witness involved in the EPREVAILS investigation and the former Judge Ramsay investigation. Their story is likely to include information about an ongoing RCMP investigation involving RCMP members and other persons in authority utilizing the services of local underage Sex Trade workers. Their story may include information about a suspended RCMP member whose identity is known to the CBC.
- CTV is also planning on airing a story at 1800 hours (PST) involving an ongoing RCMP investigation which involves the same information, but with more focus on the investigation itself. It is likely that information regarding a suspended RCMP member will be released. However, it does not appear that they are aware of the identity of that member.

CURRENT STATUS:

- Investigative resources have been focussed on completing several photo-lineups with key witnesses/victims prior to any media broadcasts. At this time only one of these lineups has taken place with five more remaining. All involve Sex Trade workers who, based on their lifestyle, are unlikely to view the broadcasts but will learn of the attention in the days after any stories are released.

POTENTIAL IMPACT:

- Upon learning of the media attention, the key witnesses/victims may refuse to cooperate with the ongoing investigation. If the identity of the suspended member is aired, it will damage the potential for the viewing of any photo-lineups and subsequent evidence collection. Any other potential suspects will also be alerted to the investigation and its scope.
- The suspended member may also be identified and refuse to participate any further in the

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investigation. This is unlikely to negatively impact the investigation at this time.

Source: Sgt. W.D. Lymburner, E Div. Serious Crime Unit - EPREVAALS - Team Commander
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PURPOSE:

- To advise the Commissioner of a Sexual Exploitation investigation involving a member and young sex trade workers involving

ISSUE:

- Cst. Justin HARRIS. Reg. # 44089, of Section, was allegedly implicated during the interviews of alleged victims.

BACKGROUND:

- Information was received during the investigation into allegations made against Judge David Ramsay regarding his involvement with young prostitutes in Prince George, B. C. The information also indicated that past and present members of Prince George Detachment have or are using the services of local under age prostitutes. This information came third hand by way of social workers who had been told this by their clients.
- Between September 22nd, 2003, and this date, statements have been obtained from four different sex trade workers in Prince George who have stated that they have had sex in exchange for money with Cst. Harris while he was stationed to Prince George Detachment.

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CURRENT STATUS:

- On September 20th, 2004, Cst. Harris was advised that he was under investigation in relation to the statutory allegations, and as well, was advised of six (6) allegations under the Code of Conduct. He was also served a Notice of Suspension with pay at that time.
- Cst. Harris was also interviewed by investigators regarding the statutory allegations. In his voluntary statement he denied any involvement in these matters :
- Cst. Harris is currently under suspension

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PURPOSE:

- To advise the Commissioner of a Sexual Exploitation investigation involving a member and young sex trade workers.

ISSUE:

- Cst. Justin HARRIS, Reg. # 44089, of the interviews of the alleged victims. Section, was allegedly implicated during

BACKGROUND:

- Information was received during the investigation into allegations made against Judge David RAMSAY regarding his involvement with young prostitutes in Prince George, B. C.
- The information indicated that past and present members of Prince George Detachment have or are using the services of local under age prostitutes. This information came third hand by way of social workers who had been told this by their clients.
- Between September 22, 2003, and this date, statements have been obtained from four different sex trade workers in Prince George who have stated that they have had sex in exchange for money with Cst. HARRIS while he was stationed to Prince George Detachment.

CURRENT STATUS:

- On September 20th, 2004, Cst. HARRIS was advised that he was under investigation in relation to the statutory allegations, and as well, was advised of six (6) allegations under the Code of Conduct. He was also served a Notice of Suspension with pay at that time.
- Cst. HARRIS was also interviewed by investigators regarding the statutory allegations. In his voluntary statement he denied any involvement in these matters
- Cst. HARRIS is currently under suspension. The Statutory and Code of Conduct Investigations continue.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS:

- Other members may be implicated in this investigation as it continues so this file will remain as Protected B.

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RE: Project EPREAILS Inappropriate Sexual Behaviour E Division Major Crime Section - Serious Crime Unit File#: 2004-2016

ISSUE:

Mr. David RAMSAY, a former Provincial Court Judge in Prince George, BC was convicted on several counts of Sexual Assault and Breach of Trust in June 2004. He was subsequently sentenced to 7 years in custody. During the RAMSAY investigation it was learned that other persons in authority, including RCMP members, lawyers and a local elected official may have had contact with young sex trade workers. The allegations include Criminal Code offences to Code of Conduct infractions. These allegations were not investigated at the time and RAMSAY took precedence. The investigation into the allegations of these other persons in authority has commenced and the potential exists to attract undesired media attention.

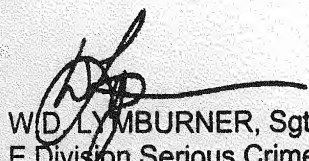
BACKGROUND:

On April 1999, at a meeting between RCMP and a support agency for young sex trade workers (STW), it was learned that a STW had disclosed to a case worker that she had been involved with a local Judge. The matter was investigated by the Prince George Municipal Detachment. The subsequent lengthy investigation resulted in numerous victims being identified as having contact with Judge RAMSAY as well as contact with other persons in authority. The investigation focussed on Judge RAMSAY's involvement with young STW's but also collected information regarding their involvement with other persons in authority. These victims were reluctant to provide information concerning police officers and obtaining their confidence was a major undertaking. North District Internal Affairs has been actively involved in the investigation regarding to police officers since March 2003. Following a review of this facet of the investigation, it was deemed that it required more resources to complete in a timely fashion.

CURRENT STATUS:

On June 2004 an investigative team was assembled to fully investigate these other persons in authority, including the police officers, lawyers and elected official. It is anticipated that with the recent conviction and sentencing of RAMSAY, sex trade workers will be more forthcoming with investigators regarding the actions of police officers. The team consists of representation from E Division Major Crimes, E Division Anti-Corruption Unit and N/D Internal Affairs. The investigation and subsequent interviews of the STW's and various corroborative witnesses are about to begin. The possibility exists that these interviews will generate renewed media interest in not only the RAMSAY matter, but also the RCMP itself.

Sgt. John WARD, NCO i/c E Division Strategic Communications Section, has been advised of the focus of this investigation and the potential media attention it may attract.


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E Division Serious Crime Unit
Team Commander - Project EPREAILS

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PART I - PERSONS MENTIONED IN THIS REPORT:**HARRIS, Justin Peter**, Regimental number 44089 (Cst). Current position: [REDACTED]
Unit. [REDACTED]**KOHUT, Joe**, Regimental number 42771 (Cpl.-newly promoted) Current position: Recent transfer from Prince George to Kamloops. [REDACTED][REDACTED]
[REDACTED] - former child sex trade worker (now adult sex trade worker) -
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COMMISSAIRE**

PURPOSE: For information only.

ISSUE: Allegations of possible sexual exploitation of young sex trade workers by past and present members of Prince George Detachment stemming from the investigation of former Judge David Ramsay. North District IAU File 2002-290 refers.

BACKGROUND:

- On December 13, 2002, "E" Division IAU notified North District IAU regarding the investigation. The Ramsay investigation surfaced allegations that ten members of Prince George Detachment have been utilizing the services of prostitutes. These allegations were disclosed by sex trade workers to their social workers during the Ramsay investigation. Although the members were named the names of the victims were not. It was a case of where the sex trade worker, although never being with a member, knew of a member who had been with another young prostitute but would not disclose that name. Sgt. M.C. Racicot, North District IAU then set out to meet with the lead investigator, Cpl. Judy Thomas, of the Ramsay investigation. However, due to her commitments she was unable to meet until the new year. The idea was for Thomas to introduce Racicot to the sex trade workers who needed to be interviewed and hopefully Racicot could establish some kind of a rapport with them.
- On February 04, 2003, Racicot contacted Thomas, however her commitments at that time took her out of town.
- On February 17, 2003, they were again unable to meet due to the Ramsay investigation.

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interview. With the recent conviction and sentencing in the Ramsay matter it is hoped that these persons may be more cooperative with the investigation. There will also be other interviews conducted in attempts to corroborate, one way or the other, these allegations. This will be a priority at this time.

Prepared by

Sergeant M. C. Racicot
"E" Division Internal Affairs Unit
North District
(250) 561-3152

Date

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Issue

**Possible Sexual Exploitation of Youth
Prince George, B. C.
File 2002-290 IAU**

Issue

Information received during the investigation into allegations made against Judge David Ramsay regarding his involvement with young prostitutes in Prince George. The information also indicated that past and present members of Prince George Detachment have or are using the services of local under age prostitutes. This information came by way of social workers who had been told this by their clients. David Ramsay recently pleaded guilty to sex related charges involving young prostitutes and was sentenced to seven years in jail. Prince George Detachment file 99-22969 refers.

Background

The following is a time line of this investigation since received at the office of "E" Division Internal Affairs Unit, North District for investigation by Sgt. M. C. Racicot.

On December 13, 2002, Sgt. Racicot was contacted by phone by Insp. Fleury, OIC "E" Division IAU who advised that a file was being forwarded to this office for investigation regarding members of Prince George Detachment. The information came to light during the Judge Ramsay investigation where allegations had also been made that members of Prince George Detachment, past and present, have been utilizing the services of prostitutes. A total of ten names of members, past and present, of Prince George Detachment were named in the information. The investigator of the Ramsay case was Cpl. Judy Thomas of Prince George Detachment. Due to her commitments with that investigation, she was unable to meet until into the new year. The purpose of wanting to meet with Cpl. Thomas was to set up a time frame when she could do some introductions to establish some form of rapport with persons who have to be interviewed.

On February 04, 2002, Sgt. Racicot received a message from Cpl. Thomas in answer to a message left for her. She was unavailable due to matters which took her out of town.

On February 17, 2002, Sgt. Racicot spoke with Cpl. Judy Thomas. She was unable to meet due to the continuing investigation into the Ramsay matter. She said that she would be unavailable for some time, probably until April.



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On Mar. 02, 2003, Insp. Fleury contacted Sgt. Racicot by telephone. She had received a memo from Prosecutor Dennis Murray wanting to confirm that the investigation into these matters had commenced. She was updated and told that Cpl. Thomas was still involved in the Ramsay matter and that the writer was waiting until she was free to make the introductions as she already has a rapport with many of these persons. An e-mail was sent to Cpl. Thomas that the investigation was to commence on 03-03-10 whether she was available or not.

On Mar 03, 2003, Sgt. Racicot met with Sgt. Fayle of Prince George IAU, to arrange interviews. Cpl. Thomas is to set up interview times with them starting with the four who were to give evidence against David Ramsay.

On Mar. 25, 2003, Cpl. Thomas arranged an interview with one of the girls later that day. Another is in Vancouver and arrangements were made to travel there.



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Current Status

The investigation continues and there are at least other alleged victims to locate and

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There are at least other sex trade workers who have to be located and interviewed. The fact that the matter involving Judge Ramsay has been dealt with may have a positive effect on their willingness to cooperate with the investigation. The investigation is continuing.

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Issue

**Possible Sexual Exploitation of Youth
Prince George, B. C.
File 2002-290 IAU**

Background

Information received during the investigation into allegations made against Judge David Ramsay regarding his involvement with young prostitutes in Prince George. The information also indicated that past and present members of Prince George Detachment have or are using the services of local under age prostitutes. This information came by way of social workers who had been told this by their clients.

David Ramsay recently pleaded guilty to sex related charges involving young prostitutes and was sentenced to seven years in jail. Prince George Detachment file 99-22969 refers. In January 2003, the information regarding the RCMP members was received at the "E" Division IAU North District office and an investigation commenced.

Current Status

To this time of the persons who have alleged to have been involved with police members have been interviewed.

have provided accounts of sexual activities with members on duty,

whom she identified as Constable J. P. Harris, (formerly of Prince George Detachment, presently stationed at Nanaimo Detachment).

Investigation is continuing to in effort to corroborate this information.

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Project EPREAILS- Prince George Sex Trade Investigation

In October of 2006, a team of Serious Crime members from the E Division Major Crime Unit were assigned to conduct a file review on Project EPREAILS (2004-2016). The review was conducted using the Major Case Management principles with S/Sgt HUNDT as team commander, Sgt VANOVERBEEK assuming the role of primary investigator and Cpl DESROSIERS conducting the file coordination.

Following the official review of the file material, a report was submitted to Inspector NASH on December 18, 2007. The recommendations for action were approved and a team of Serious Crime investigators were tasked with this investigation during the early months of 2007.

On October 25, 2005, after reviewing the Report to Crown Counsel submitted by the original EPREAILS team, Ad Hoc Crown Counsel Dennis MURRAY submitted a report as to charge approval.

In view of this information, the review team concentrated their efforts in gathering evidence pertaining to allegations, while pursuing follow ups in other areas of the investigation.

Of the 42 people initially identified in the review as individuals that should be approached, 33 were spoken to by the review team. Of the 9 people that could not be interviewed, 2 had passed away, 1 had a warrant for arrest and could not be located, 2 were located but refused to talk to investigators and 4 people were not located.

Additional interviews resulted from the follow up for a total of 50 people being questioned in relation to the review of EPREAILS. For the most part, these interviews and other inquiries failed to reveal any significant information to further this investigation or to corroborate the allegations made by the victims.

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Report on Charge Approval by Crown

On March 28, 2007, Cpl DESROSIERS submitted the final disclosure package to Ad Hoc Crown Dennis MURRAY.

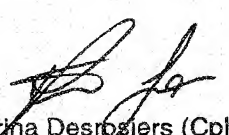
Crown was asked to review the material and decide on the criminal status of this case, as investigators had pursued all possible avenues of investigation and were not anticipating new information or evidence to come to light.

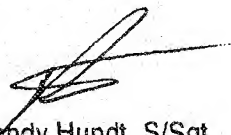
On April 1, 2007, Cpl DESROSIERS advised Crown MURRAY of death.


On April 23, 2007, Dennis MURRAY advised Cpl DESROSIERS that he had submitted his report on Charge Approval to the Office of the Attorney General and would advise E Division Investigators when he receives a reply from the AG's office.

The E Division EPREVAIS review is concluded at this point. Members are no longer actively investigating this matter as the main witness has passed away and no other leads surfaced from the follow up conducted. A letter has been received from Ad Hoc Crown Counsel Dennis MURRAY dated 2007-05-01 advising no criminal charges are to be laid in this matter with respect to Cst. HARRIS.

Our file is now concluded.


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**BRIEFING NOTE TO
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**NOTE D'INFORMATION
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Re: **Project EPREAILS**
"E" Division IAU File

PURPOSE:

- To advise The Commissioner of an investigation involving a member of the Force and young sex trade workers in "E" Division, Prince George, B. C. .

ISSUE:

- Cst. Joseph Dale Kohut, Regimental # 42771, of Kamloops Detachment , was implicated in this activity during the interviews of alleged victims.

BACKGROUND:

- Information was received during the investigation into allegations made against Judge David Ramsay regarding his involvement with young prostitutes in Prince George, B. C. The information also indicated that past and present members of Prince George Detachment have, or are using the services of local under age prostitutes. This information came third hand by way of social workers who had been told this by their clients.
- Interviews were conducted with numerous sex trade workers in Prince George.
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